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CHAPTER 3 STANDARD FORMS OF PLEADINGS FOR SMALL CLAIMS ACTIONS [Pursuant to Iowa Code section 631.15]

Form 3.1: Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment.

In the Iowa District Court for	r County
Plaintiff(s)	•
(Name)	Original Notice and Petition
(Address)	for a Money Judgment
(Name)	
(Address)	
Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
(Address)	If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons
(Name)	who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay lowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide
(Address)	legal advice.
To Defendant(s):	
 You are notified that Plaintiff(s) demand(s) from you costs based on (state briefly the basis for the demand, 	

- Judgment may be entered against you unless you file an Appearance and Answer within 20 days
 of the service of the Original Notice upon you. Judgment may include the amount requested plus interest
 and court costs.
- 3. You must electronically file the Appearance and Answer using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile, unless you obtain from the court an exemption from electronic filing requirements.
- 4. If your Appearance and Answer is filed within **20 days** and you deny the claim, you will receive electronic notification through EDMS of the place and time of the hearing on this matter.
- 5. If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of the Appearance and Answer on Plaintiff(s) or on the attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s). The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, and if you must mail a copy of your Appearance and Answer to Plaintiff(s).
- 6. You must also notify the clerk's office of any address change.

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Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment (cont'd)

/s/	/s/
Filing Plaintiff or Attorney	Second Plaintiff, if applicable
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
Telephone number	Telephone number
Email address	Email address
Additional email address, if applicable	Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.2: Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment for Taxes Owing.

In the Iowa District Court f	or County
Plaintiff	Original Notice and Petition for a
(Name)	Money Judgment for Taxes Owing (lowa Code sections 631.1(7) and 445.3)
(Address) VS.	
Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
(Address)	If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons
(Name)	who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay lowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.
(Address)	
To Defendant(s):	
You are notified that Plaintiff, for taxes due and cannount of \$ for taxes due and cannot be a second cannot	County Treasurer, demands from you the wing based on the following:

- 2. Judgment may be entered against you unless you file an Appearance and Answer within 20 days of the service of the Original Notice upon you. Judgment may include the amount requested plus interest and court costs.
- 3. You must electronically file the Appearance and Answer using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile, unless you obtain from the court an exemption from electronic filing requirements.
- 4. If your Appearance and Answer is filed within 20 days, and you deny the claim, you will receive electronic notification through EDMS of the place and time of the hearing on this matter.
- 5. If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of the Appearance and Answer on Plaintiff(s) or on the attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s). The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, and if you must mail a copy of your Appearance and Answer to Plaintiff(s).
- 6. You must also notify the clerk's office of any address change.

/s/	
Filing Plaintiff Treasurer or Designee	
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	
Mailing address	
Phone number	
Phone number	
Email address	_
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Additional email address if applicable	_

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Form 3.3: Original Notice and Petition for Money Judgment against a Nonresident Motor Vehicle Owner or Operator Defendant.

in the lowa district Court for	r County
Plaintiff(s)	Original Notice and Petition for a
(Name)	Money Judgment against a Nonresident Motor Vehicle Owner
(Address)	Operator Defendant
(Name)	
(Address)	
Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
(Address)	If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons
(Name)	who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay lowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.
(Address)	iegai advice.
To Defendant(s):	
1. You are notified that Plaintiff(s) demand(s) from you costs based on (state briefly the basis for the demand.	

- 2. Judgment may be entered against you unless you file an Appearance and Answer within 60 days of the filing of this Original Notice with the Director of the Iowa Department of Transportation. Judgment may include the amount requested plus interest and court costs.
- 3. You must electronically file the Appearance and Answer using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile, unless you obtain from the court an exemption from electronic filing requirements.
- 4. If your Appearance and Answer is filed within 60 days and you deny the claim, you will receive electronic notification through EDMS of the time and place for the hearing on this matter.
- 5. If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of the Appearance and Answer on Plaintiff(s) or on the attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s). The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, and if you must mail a copy of your Appearance and Answer to Plaintiff(s).
- 6. You must also notify the clerk's office of any address change.

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Original Notice and Petition for Money Judgment against a Nonresident Motor Vehicle Owner or Operator Defendant (cont'd)

/s/	/s/
Filing Plaintiff or Attorney	Second Plaintiff, if applicable
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
Telephone number	Telephone number
Email address	Email address
Additional email address, if applicable	Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.4: Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment against a Nonresident Defendant or a Foreign Corporation Defendant.

	In the Iowa District Court for	County
Plaintiff(s)		Original Notice and Petition for a
(Name)	_	Money Judgment against a Nonresident Defendant or a Foreign
(Address)		Corporation Defendant
(Name)		
(Address)	VS.	
Defendant(s)		
(Name)		
(Address)		If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at
(Name)		https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay lowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide
(Address)		legal advice.
To Defendant(s):	-	
	ed that Plaintiff(s) demand(s) from you	

- 2. Judgment may be entered against you unless you file an Appearance and Answer as follows:
 - If you received service of this Original Notice by mail along with service upon the Secretary of State, you must file your Appearance and Answer within 60 days of the filing of the Original Notice with the Secretary of State.
 - . If you received service of this Original Notice in a manner other than by mail, you must file your Appearance and Answer within 60 days after the date you received the Original Notice.
- 3. You must electronically file the Appearance and Answer using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile, unless you obtain from the court an exemption from electronic filing requirements.
- 4. If your Appearance and Answer is timely filed and you deny the claim, you will receive electronic notification through EDMS of the time and place for the hearing on this matter.
- 5. If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of the Appearance and Answer on Plaintiff(s) or on the attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s). The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, and if you must mail a copy of your Appearance and Answer to Plaintiff(s).
- 6. You must also notify the clerk's office of any address change.

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/s/	/s/
Filing Plaintiff or Attorney	Second Plaintiff, if applicable
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicab
Mailing address	Mailing address
Telephone number	Telephone number
Email address	Email address
Additional email address, if applicable	Additional email address, if applicable

Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment against a Nonresident Defendant or a Foreign Corporation Defendant (cont'd)

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Form 3.5: Original Notice and Petition for Replevin.

In the Iowa District Court for	rCounty
Plaintiff(s)	Original Notice and
(Name)	Petition for Replevin (lowa Code chapter 643)
(Address)	
(Name)	
(Address)	
vs. Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
(Address)	If you need assistance to participate in court due to a
(Name)	disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay lowa TTY
(Address)	(1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.
To Defendant(s): 1. You are notified that Plaintiff(s) demand(s) relief (r the following described property:	not to exceed \$6500 in total) from you in regard to
The value of the property described is (value may n	ot exceed \$6500): \$
3. The relief requested includes (check all that apply):	
☐ Plaintiff(s) ask(s) for possession of the pro	operty.
☐ Plaintiff(s) ask(s) for damages for unlawfu	Il retention.
 Plaintiff(s) ask(s) for damages for any dan 	nage to the property.
☐ Plaintiff(s) ask(s) for damages for:	
(If asking for money damages, total amount inc	cluding value of property cannot exceed \$6500.)
4. Plaintiff(s) claim(s) immediate possession because	(check only one):
☐ Plaintiff(s) own(s) the property.	
 Plaintiff(s) has (have) a security agreement is A copy of the security agreement is The agreement shows that Plaintiff(iii. Defendant(s) are in default because 	s attached. (s) is(are) entitled to seize possession on default.
☐ Other:	

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5. The prop	perty (check only one):	
	Is not in the possession of Defendant(s);	pursuant to court order or judgment; or
		order or judgment, but the property is exempt from
	seizure because:	
	ce of the Original Notice upon you. Judgm	you file an Appearance and Answer within 20 days nent may include the amount requested plus interest
Document M		nswer using the lowa Judicial Branch Electronic ww.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile, unless you obtain uirements.
	ppearance and Answer is filed within 20 d otification through EDMS of the time and p	lays and you deny the claim, you will receive place for the hearing on this matter.
the attorney		f the Appearance and Answer on Plaintiff(s) or on c Filing will indicate if Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from ppearance and Answer to Plaintiff(s).
10. You mu	ist also notify the clerk's office of any addi	ress change.
I (We) certify true and cor		the laws of the State of lowa that the preceding is
Date:		Date:
Plaintiff's signa	ature	Plaintiff's signature
/s/		/s/
Filing Plaintiff of	or Attorney	Second Plaintiff, if applicable
Law firm, or en	ntity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	s	Mailing address
Telephone num	nber	Telephone number
Email address	_	Email address
Additional ema	il address, if applicable	Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.6: Original Notice and Petition for Forcible Entry and Detainer.

In the Iowa District Court for	r County
Plaintiff(s)	Original Notice and Petition
(Name)	for Forcible Entry and Detainer (lowa Code chapter 648)
(Address)	
(Name)	
(Address)	
Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
(Address)	If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons
(Name)	who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay lowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide
(Address)	legal advice.
2. Hearing is set for the date, time, and court location Petition. The court will electronically record the hearing reporter report the hearing, that party must arrange and at the hearing may result in judgment entered again court costs. Plaintiff(s): The court shall set the date of hearing to	g. If either party desires that a certified court d pay for the costs of reporting. Failure to appear nst you for possession of the property and
Original Notice unless you check the box below:	occur within o days from the filling date of the
Plaintiff(s) request(s) or consent(s) to the court days from the filing of the Original Notice.	setting the date of hearing to occur no later than 15
/s/	/s/
Filing Plaintiff or Attorney	Second Plaintiff, if applicable
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
Telephone number	Telephone number
Email address	Email address
Additional email address, if applicable Small Claims Form	Additional email address, if applicable
*Upon electronic filing a clerk's signature page	

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Form 3.7: Original Notice and Petition against Third Party Defendant(s).

In the Iowa District Court for	·County
Plaintiff(s)	Original Notice and Petition
(Name)	against Third Party Defendant(s)
(Address)	
(Name)	
(Address)	
vs. Defendant(s)/Third Party Plaintiff(s)	
(Name)	If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at
(Address)	https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa
(Name)	TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.
(Address)	
vs. Third Party Defendant(s)	
(Name)	(Name)
(Address)	(Address)
Third Porty Defendant(c)	.
Third Party Defendant(s),(Name(s) of Third Party De	efendant(s))
You are notified that,	, as
ird Party Plaintiff(s), demand(s) from you the amour	nt of \$ because (state briefly
basis for demand, not to exceed \$6500):	

- Judgment may be entered against you unless you file an Appearance and Answer within 20 days
 of the service of the Original Notice upon you. Judgment may include the amount requested plus interest
 and court costs.
- 3. You must electronically file the Appearance and Answer using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile, unless you obtain from the court an exemption from electronic filing requirements.
- 4. If your Appearance and Answer is filed within **20 days** and you deny this Third Party Petition, you will receive electronic notification through EDMS of the time and place for the hearing on this matter.
- 5. If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of the Appearance and Answer on Plaintiff(s) or on the attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s). The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, and if you must mail a copy of your Appearance and Answer to Plaintiff(s).
- You must also notify the clerk's office of any address change.

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Original Notice and Petition against Third Party Defendant(s) (cont'd)

/s/	/s/
Filing Third Party or Attorney	Second Third Party, if applicable
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
Telephone number	Telephone number
Email address	Email address
Additional email address, if applicable	Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.8: Original Notice and Petition for Disposition of Abandoned Property.

Small Claims Form 3.8: Original Notice and Petition for Disposition of Abandoned Property

In the Iowa District Court for	County
Plaintiff(s)	Original Notice and Petition for
(Name)	Disposition of Abandoned Property (lowa Code chapter 555B)
(Address)	(Mobile Home and Personal Property in the Vicinity)
(Name)	
(Address) VS.	
Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
(Address)	If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at
(Name)	https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY
(Address)	(1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.
To Defendant(s):	
Plaintiff(s) demand(s) a judgment of abandonment	for (state the exact nature of abandoned property):
because (state basis of demand):	
 In support of this demand Plaintiff(s) state(s): Plaintiff(s) has (have) not requested notice by 555B.2; 	the sheriff as provided for in Iowa Code section

- - The property is located in the above county; and
 - Regarding liens against the property (check only one of the following):
 - ☐ There is no lien against the property other than a tax lien pursuant to lowa Code chapter 435. If this box is checked, the hearing will be set within 14 days of filing the petition. Service must be made on the owner of the property at least 10 days before the hearing.
 - ☐ There is a lien other than a tax lien pursuant to lowa Code chapter 435.

If this box is checked, the hearing will be set no sooner than 25 days from the filing of the petition so as to allow service on the lienholder. Service must be made on the owner of the property at least 10 days before the hearing. Service must be made on the lienholder no less than 20 days before the hearing.

3. Hearing is set for the date, time, and court location listed on the last page of this Original Notice and Petition. The court will electronically record the hearing. Any party desiring that a certified court reporter report the hearing must arrange and pay for the costs of reporting. Failure to appear at the hearing may result in judgment entered against you for statutory damages, interest, and court costs, and the property will be disposed of as abandoned property.

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/s/	/s/
Filing Plaintiff or Attorney	Second Plaintiff, if necessary
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
Telephone number	Telephone number
Email address	Email address
Additional email address, if applicable	Additional email address, if applicable

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[Court Order May 7, 2012; June 26, 2018, effective July 1, 2018; June 24, 2022, effective July 1, 2022]

Form 3.9: Original Notice and Petition for Intervention.

In the Iowa District Court fo	r County
Plaintiff(s)	
(Name)	Original Notice and Petition for Intervention
(Address)	
(Name)	
(Address)	
Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
(Address)	If you need assistance to participate in court due to a
(Name)	disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY
(Address)	(1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.
To Plaintiff(s) and Defendant(s):	
1. I (We),	, being interested in the subject
matter of this case seek to intervene in the following m	nanner:
This Detition for Intervention is based on /state bris	fly the begin for the demand):

This Petition for Intervention is based on (state briefly the basis for the demand):

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Additional email address, if applicable

/s/ Filing Intervenor or Attorney	/s/ Second Intervenor, if applicable
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
Telephone number	Telephone number
Email address	Email address

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Additional email address, if applicable

Form 3.10 Reserved.

Form 3.11: Appearance and Answer of Defendant(s).

Small Claims Form 3.11: Appearance and Answer of Defendant(s)

In the Iowa District Court for	County
Plaintiff(s)	Appearance and Answer
(Name)	of Defendant(s)
	Small Claim No.
(Name)	
Vs.	
Defendant(s)	
(Name)	If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay lowa TTY (1-
(Name)	800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.
Check only one of the following:	
through the lowa Judicial Branch Electronic Doc The claim is admitted. Judgment may be enter The claim is admitted in part in the amount of	
 You must electronically file this Appearance and Ans https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile unless you obta filing requirements. 	
 If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of the the attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s). The Notice of Electronic form from electronic filing, and if you must mail a copy of you 	Filing will indicate if Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt
3. You may download this form online at https://iowaco you an exemption from electronic filing, you must scan a form, or fill out and electronically file the online form, in a Use of the Electronic Document Management System.	and electronically file this Answer and Appearance
/s/	/S/Second Defendant, if applicable
Filing Defendant or Attorney	Second Defendant, if applicable
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
Telephone number	Telephone number
Email address	Email address
Additional email address, if applicable	Additional email address, if applicable

Form 3.12: Appearance and Answer of Third Party Defendant(s).

In the Iowa District Court for _	County
Plaintiff(s)	Appearance and Answer
(Name)	of Third Party Defendant(s)
(Name)	Small Claim No
Defendant(s)/Third Party Plaintiff(s)	
(Name)	
(Name)	
Vs. Third Party Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
(Address)	If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at
(Name)	https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-
(Address)	800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.
Check only one of the following:	1-ga:
The claim is denied. Parties will receive elect Electronic Document Management System (ED	ronic notification through the lowa Judicial Branch MS) of the hearing time and place.
☐ The claim is admitted. Judgment may be enter	ered.
	of \$ Parties will receive electronic ectronic Document Management System (EDMS)

- 1. You must electronically file this Appearance and Answer using EDMS at https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile unless you obtain from the court an exemption from electronic filing requirements.
- 2. If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of this Appearance and Answer on Plaintiff(s) or on the attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s). The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, and if you must mail a copy of your Appearance and Answer to Plaintiff(s).
- 3. You may download this form online at https://iowacourts.state.ia.us/Efile. Unless the court has granted you an exemption from electronic filing, you must scan and electronically file this Answer and Appearance form, or fill out and electronically file the online form, in accordance with Chapter 16 Rules Pertaining to the Use of the Electronic Document Management System.

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Appearance and Answer of Third Party Defendant(s) (cont'd)

/s/	/s/
Filing Third Party or Attorney	Second Third Party, if applicable
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
Telephone number	Telephone number
Email address	Email address
Additional email address, if applicable	Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.13: Counterclaim against Plaintiff(s).

In the Iowa District Cour	t for County
Plaintiff(s)	Counterclaim against Plaintiff(s)
(Name)	Small Claim No
(Name)	-
Vs. Defendant(s)	
(Name)	If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY
(Name)	(1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.
To Plaintiff(s): (List name(s) of Plaintiff(s) against whom you are counterclaiming 1. You are notified that Defendant(s) identified belobecause (state briefly the basis for the demand, no	ow demand(s) from you the amount of \$
	Counterclaim with the clerk of court using the Iowa
Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile, unless the electronic filing requirements.	e court has granted Defendant(s) an exemption from
3. EDMS will serve a copy of the Counterclaim on Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, the Plaintiff(s) attorney(s).	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *
/s/	/s/
Filing Defendant or Attorney	Second Defendant, if applicable
Law firm,or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
Telephone number	Telephone number
Email address	Email address
Additional email address, if applicable	Additional email address, if applicable

Form 3.14: Cross-Claim against a Co-Defendant.

In the Iowa District Court for	or County
Plaintiff(s)	Cross-Claim against a Co-Defendant
(Name)	Small Claim No
(Name)	
vs. Defendant(s)	
(Name)	If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, cethe disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who ar
(Name)	hearing or speech impaired may call Relay lowa TTY (1-800-735 2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.
You are notified that the Cross-Claimant(s) iden	tified below demand(s) from
(List name(s) of party(ies) against whom the demand is made.)	
the amount of \$ because (state b	riefly the basis for the demand, not to exceed \$6500).
2. Cross-Claimant(s) must electronically file this original Judicial Branch Electronic Document Managen https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile , unless the from electronic filing requirements.	nent System (EDMS) at
3. If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of attorney(s) for the other party(ies). If the other party(court will provide a copy to the other party(ies).	of the Cross-Claim on the other party(ies) or on the (ies) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, the clerk of
/s/	/s/
Filing Cross-Claimant or Attorney	/s/Second Cross-Claimant, if applicable
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
Telephone number	Telephone number
Email address	Email address
Additional email address, if applicable	Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.15 Reserved. Form 3.16: *Affidavit of Default.*

In the Iowa District Co	ourt for County
Plaintiff(s)	
(Name)	Affidavit of Default (Failure to Comply with Payment Plan)
(Address)	Small Claim No
(Name)	
(Address) VS.	
Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
(Address)	
(Name)	
(Address)	
The court entered judgment on the plus court costs in the amou	day of, 20, in the amount of nt of \$
2. The court further ordered that the judgmen	t debtor(s) could satisfy the judgment by an installment
20	beginning on the day of
The judgment debtor(s) has (have) failed to	make installment payments as ordered.
I certify under penalty of perjury and pursuant and correct.	to the laws of the State of lowa that the preceding is true
Date	
Signat	ure of Affiant
/s/ _	
Filing	Judgment Creditor or Attorney
Law fi	rm, for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailin	g address
Phone	number
Email	address
Additio	onal Email address, if applicable

Form 3.17: Application to Condemn Funds.

County
Application to Condemn Funds Small Claim No.
ntered in this case.
either answered that after allowing all exemptions ed over the funds pursuant to Iowa Code sections
section 642.14 was served on Defendant(s) named
ndant(s) is on file.
of Garnishment was served.
r pleading has been filed to contest the
t issue an order condemning the garnished funds.
/s/
Second Plaintiff, if applicable
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address
1

Telephone number

Additional email address, if applicable

Email address

[Court Order May 7, 2012; June 26, 2018, effective July 1, 2018]

Telephone number

Additional email address, if applicable

Email address

Form 3.18: Dismissal.

In the Iowa District Court for	County
Plaintiff(s)	
(Name)	Dismissal
(Small Claim No
(Name)	
vs. Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
(Name)	
 ☐ With prejudice (I (we) cannot refile the claim) ☐ Without prejudice (I (we) may refile the claim) 	
/s/	/s/
Filing Plaintiff or Attorney	Second Plaintiff, if applicable
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
Telephone number	Telephone number
Email address	Email address
Additional email address if applicable	Additional email address if applicable

Form 3.19: Notice of Garnishment.

	In the Iowa District Court fo	r County
Plaintiff(s)		Notice of Garnishment
(Name)		Small Claim No
(Name) Defendant(s)	vs.	
(Name)		If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are
(Name)	_	hearing or speech impaired may call Relay lowa TTY (1-800-735- 2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.

- 1. **You are notified** that a Garnishment was issued based on a judgment against you and the Garnishment was served on _______, who has admitted to be in possession of your property or is indebted to you.
- 2. You are further notified that to contest the Garnishment you must file a Motion to Quash, an Answer, an Affidavit of Exemption, or other appropriate pleading within 10 days from the date this Notice was served on you. Your motion, Answer, or pleading must explain why you think these funds are exempt from execution under state or federal law. Some examples of exempt funds may include social security benefits, public assistance, county assistance, veteran's benefits, and unemployment compensation. These are examples only and not intended as a complete list. If you do not contest the Garnishment, a court order will be entered condemning the funds and the funds will be applied against the judgment.
- 3. Any Motion to Quash, Answer, Affidavit of Exemption, or other pleading that you file to contest the Garnishment must be electronically filed using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile unless you obtain an exemption from electronic filing requirements from the court.
- 4. If you file to contest the Garnishment, the court may set a prompt hearing, in which case you will receive electronic notification of the hearing through EDMS. If the court sets a hearing, you should be ready to explain to the judge why you believe your property is exempt from the Garnishment.
- 5. Iowa Code section 642.14 requires that you be told the exact language of Iowa Code section 630.3A. That section reads:

At any time after the rendition of judgment the court, upon application of the judgment creditor or the judgment debtor and upon notice to the adverse party as the court shall direct, shall conduct a hearing to determine the reasonably expected annual earnings of the judgment debtor for the current calendar year and the applicable limitation upon garnishment as provide in Section 642.21. The court shall also consider in the interest of justice whether a greater amount than provided in Section 642.21 shall be exempt from garnishment. In making the determination, the court shall consider the age, number and circumstances of the dependents of the debtor, existing federal poverty level guidelines, the debtor's maintenance and support needs, the debtor's other financial obligations, and any other relevant information. An order reducing the garnishment may be modified or vacated upon the application of a party to the court, notice to the adverse party, and a showing at a hearing of changed circumstances. An additional filing fee shall not be assessed for proceedings under this section.

You may wish to consult a lawyer for advice as to the meaning of this notice.

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Notice of Garnishment (cont'd)

/s/	/s/Second Judgment Creditor, if applicable
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
Telephone number	Telephone number
Email address	Email address
Additional email address, if applicable	Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.20: Motion to Quash Garnishment and Request for Hearing.

In the Iowa District Court for	County
Plaintiff(s) (Name)	Motion to Quash Garnishment and Request for Hearing
	Small Claims No
(Name) vs. Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
(Name)	

1. This Garnishment represents a hardship because:

2. The funds are exempt because:

3. I (we) request a hearing on this Motion to Quash Garnishment.

Note: Defendant(s) must electronically file this original Motion to Quash using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile, unless Defendant(s) receive(s) an exemption from electronic filing requirements from the court. EDMS will serve a copy of this Motion to Quash on the other party(ies) or on the attorney(s) for the other parties. The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if Defendant(s) must mail a copy of this Motion to Quash to any party(ies) who is (are) exempt from electronic filing.

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Motion to Quash Garnishment and Request for Hearing (cont'd)

/s/	/s/
Filing Defendant or Attorney	Second Defendant, if applicable
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
Telephone number	Telephone number
Email address	Email address
Additional email address. if applicable	Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.21: Affidavit of Property Exempt from Execution.

In the Iowa District Court for	rCounty
Plaintiff(s)	Affidavit of Property Exempt from Execution
(Name)	(lowa Code sections 626.50 and 642.15)
(Name)	Small Claim No
vs. Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
(Name)	
This is an Affidavit pursuant to Iowa Code sections creditors of income and property exempt from execut or motion in this proceeding.	
2. The following are my (our) only sources of month that apply):	ly income and are exempt from execution (check all
☐ Social Security	\$
☐ Supplementary Security Income (SS	
 Veterans benefits 	\$
 Alimony, support, or separate mainte 	enance \$
 Other (any other source of income) 	\$
☐ Employment*	\$
*Under lowa law, disposable earnings are ex \$1,257/month.	empt if less than \$290/week, \$580/every 2 weeks, or
3. I (We) have \$ in cash, checking, a sources listed above. If there are deposits from other	
 I (We) own the following property, which is exemp Homestead; 	t from execution (check all that apply):
 Clothing, suitcases, musical instrume total value of \$7,000 or less; 	ents, and household goods and furnishings with a
 Books, family Bibles, pictures, portra 	its, and paintings with a total value of \$1000 or less;
☐ Burial plots;	
 One shotgun and either one rifle or o 	ne musket;
 Prescribed health aids; 	
A motor vehicle (list year and make), \$7,000 or less;	,, with equity of
	estock, and feed with a total value of \$10,000 or less;
	total value of \$5,000 or less, or wedding or
	wo years before the date of this Affidavit;
☐ Other jewelry with a total value of \$2	,uuu or iess;

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Affidavit of Property Exempt from Execution (cont'd)

 Cash value of life insurance of \$10,00 beneficiary; 	00 or less if spouse, child, or dependent is	
☐ Rental deposits, utility deposits, or rent paid in advance of \$500 or less;		
☐ Qualified retirement funds;		
 Cash on hand, bank deposits, other of 	deposits, and other personal property up to \$1,000.	
5. I (We) will electronically file this original document Management System (EDMS) at		

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Form 3.22: Application for Release and Satisfaction of Judgment.

In the Iowa District Court for	County
Plaintiff(s)	Application for Release
(Name)	and Satisfaction of Judgment
	Small Claim No
(Name)	
vs. Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
(Name)	
The judgment entered has been paid off or sa	tiofied in full
1. The judgment entered has been paid on or sa	usiled III full.
The judgment creditor has failed to file a relea	se and satisfaction of that judgment.
3. Check only one of the following:	
 Applicant(s) has (have) requested in writing judgment creditor(s) and provided a draft address of the judgment creditor(s). Copilian applicant(s) request(s) imposition of the \$624.37; or, Applicant(s) has (have) made reasonable judgment creditor(s) to obtain the release 	release of the judgment to the last known ies of those documents are attached, and 400 penalty pursuant to lowa Code section efforts, without success, to contact the
4. Proof of payment of the judgment is attached.	
 The undersigned requests that the court enter satisfied or in the alternative, set this matter for h /s/ 	
Filing Applicant or Attorney	Second Applicant, if applicable
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
Telephone number	Telephone number
Email address	Email address
Additional email address, if applicable	Additional email address, if applicable

Form 3.23: Release and Satisfaction of Judgment.

In the Iowa District Court fo	r County
Plaintiff(s)	
(Name)	Release and Satisfaction of Judgment
(name)	Small Claim No
(Name)	
VS.	
Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
(Name)	
To Judgment Debtor(s):	
I (We) knowingly and voluntarily state that the judgmer including interest and court costs, and I (we) release the obligation on the judgment in this matter.	
Note : Failure to satisfy and release a judgment, when of \$400.00 if not filed within 30 days of written request	
Date:	Date:
Judgment Creditor's signature (must sign before a Notary)	Judgment Creditor's signature (must sign before a Notary
/s/ Judgment Creditor's name	/s/ Judgment Creditor's name
Judgment Creditor's name	Judgment Creditor's name
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
Email address	Email address
Additional email address, if applicable	Additional email address, if applicable
Certification of Acknowledgment (Iowa Code section	n 624.37):
On this date,	
appeared before me, acknowledged that signing this F voluntary and knowing act, and signed the document to	
Date: Notary Public	or Clerk of Court
Two tary T ubile	or oron or oour

Form 3.24 Reserved.

Form 3.25: Request for General Execution (Praecipe).

In the Iowa Di	strict Court for	r County
Plaintiff(s)		Partition Committee Committee
(Name)		Request for General Execution (Praecipe)
(Address)		(Iowa Code section 626.12)
(Name)		Small Claim No
(Address)		
VS.		
Defendant(s)		
(Name)		
(Address)		
(Name)		
(Address)		
Sheriff of Count	y, Iowa, against fo	nty: Please issue a writ of General Execution to the (list name(s) of judgment debtor(s)) r the balance owing on the judgment in this matter.
Date of Judgment		
Original amount of judgment \$		Balance due on judgment \$
Original amount of court costs \$		Balance due on court costs \$
Original amount of attorney fees \$		Balance due on attorney fees \$
Interest accrued to (date)		Amount of interest accrued \$
Interest rate per annum:	%	
Effective from (date)		Total amount due \$
		Interest amount per diem \$
I certify under penalty of perjury and procurect. Date:	ursuant to the lav	ws of the State of Iowa that the preceding is true and
	Judgment Credit	or's signature
	/s/_ Filing Judgment	Creditor or Attorney
	Law firm, or entit	y for which filing is made, if applicable
	Mailing address	
	Phone #	
	Email address	
	Additional email	address, if applicable

Form 3.26: Notice of Appeal.

In the Iowa District Court fo	or County
Plaintiff(s)	Notice of Appeal
(Name)	Small Claim No
(Name)	
Vs. Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
(Name)	
I (We) appeal to the district court from the judg , 20	ment entered on the day of
I (We) am (are) appealing this decision because	se:
Do also distribuis have bloom and an analysis of	
By checking this box, I (we) request an oral heari receive a notice of hearing time and date.	ng. If my (our) request is granted, I (we) will
Note: The appealing party(ies) must electronically lowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Managhttps://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile, unless et the court,. EDMS will serve a copy of this Notice attorney(s) for the other party(ies). The Notice of party(ies) are exempt from electronic filing, and if Notice of Appeal to the other party(ies).	gement System (EDMS) at exempted from electronic filing requirements by of Appeal on the other party(ies) or on the Electronic Filing will indicate if the other
s/	/s/
	Second Appealing Party, if applicable
aw firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Mailing address	Mailing address
elephone number	Telephone number
mail address	Email address
Additional email address, if applicable	Additional email address, if applicable

[Court Order October 12, 2005; May 7, 2012; June 26, 2018, effective July 1, 2018]

Form 3.27: Verification of Account, Identification of Judgment Debtor, and Certificate Re Military Service.

In the Iowa District Court for _	County
Plaintiff(s)	Verification of Account, Identification of Judgment
(Name)	Debtor, and Certificate Re Military Service
(Name)	Small Claim No
vs. Defendant(s)	
(Name)	
	For defendant:
(Name)	(This form required for each Defendant.)
1. I,, am a party or an employee of Plaintiff(s) whose claim(s) is (are) shown in the attached statement(s). I have personal knowledge that the attached statement(s) is (are) a true copy of the original creditor's records showing the balance due is true and correct. I further state that the sum of \$ is the balance due and owing as of from Defendant(s) to Plaintiff(s) and any interest amount owing is accurately stated in the Petition or Original Notice.	
I further state that Defendant resides at is employed at	,
and Defendant's occupation is	
 3. Check A, B, or C for Defendant A. Defendant is not in the military service of the United States government, I have verified this fact by (check one): Checking the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) (requires name and SSN or name and date of birth). Contacting Defendant who informed me. Regularly seeing Defendant and believing Defendant is are not active in the U.S. military. 	
Or B. I have investigated, and I am unable to determine whether or not Defendant is in the military service of the United States government	
Or C. Defendant is in the military service of the United States government	
4. I also state to the best of my knowledge (check one):	
 Defendant is under a disability or confined in a reformatory, jail, or penitentiary. Defendant is not under a disability or confined in a reformatory, jail, or penitentiary 	
I certify under penalty of perjury and pursuant to the true and correct.	laws of the State of Iowa that these facts are
Date:	
Sign	ature of Affiant
Phone number /S/	g Plaintiff or Attorney
Filin	g Plaintill of Attorney
Email address Law	firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable
Additional email address, if applicable Maili	ing Address